Examination Period 3: 2018/19

Module Title: Introduction to Public Law
Level: Four
Time Allowed: Two hours

Instructions to students:

- Enter your student number **not** your name on all answer books
- Answer **two** questions: **one** from **Section A** and **one** from **Section B**.
- Begin each question in a separate answer book; label each answer book clearly with the number of the question you are answering.

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Section A

Answer one out of the two questions in this section.

1. Explain and illustrate (a) the positive and (b) the negative strands of Dicey’s theory of the supremacy of Parliament.
   To what extent has Dicey’s theory been adopted and applied by the courts?

2. Explain and illustrate the extent to which European Union (EU) law has modified Dicey’s theory of Parliamentary supremacy.

End of Section A
Section B follows overleaf
Section B

Answer one out of the three questions in this section.

3. ‘The constitution of the United Kingdom relies too heavily on constitutional conventions, which are not legally binding and therefore too easily ignored’.

To what extent is this an accurate assessment?

4. ‘The United Kingdom (UK) does not need to adopt a specific Bill of Rights to protect human rights in the UK, as human rights are already effectively protected’.

Discuss the accuracy or otherwise of this statement.

5. Explain and illustrate the extent to which the European Parliament (EP) can now be regarded as a ‘proper parliament’ in the light of its composition and functions.